

1943 Profile of the Harlem Bridge, Manhattan area

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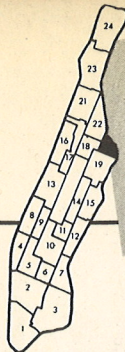
Right: 2nd Avenue looking south from East 122nd Street



Above: 127th Street from Park Avenue facing east



Right: First Avenue looking south from East 120th Street



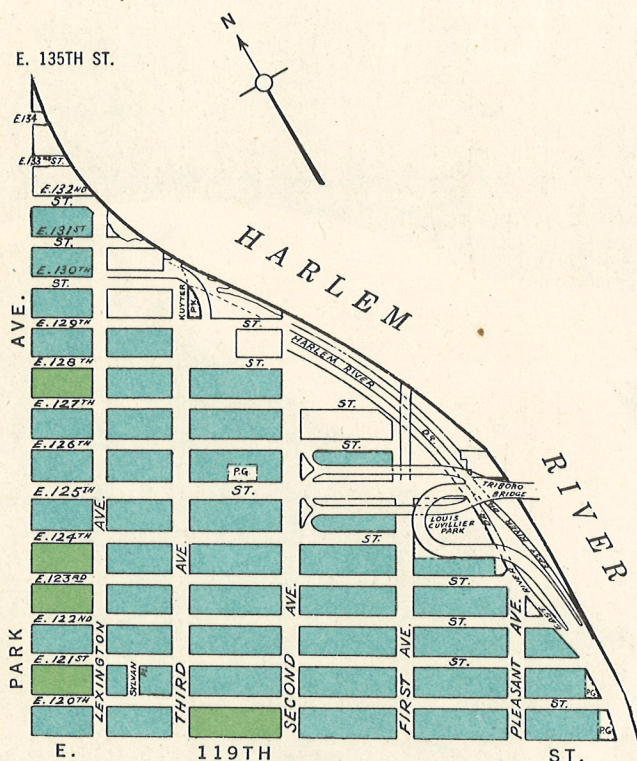
NEW YORK CITY MARKET ANALYSIS

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POPULATION	29,619
(larger than Bakersfield, Calif.)	
Native white	18,759
Foreign-born white	8,939
Negro	1,898
Other races	23

Negroes in the northwestern portion; numerous Italians to the southeast.

FAMILIES	7,997
—owner families	273
—tenant families	7,724

FAMILIES BY MONTHLY RENT & ANNUAL EXPENDITURE GROUPS

Rental	Expenditure	
\$150 & up	\$10,000 & up	14
100-149	6,000-9,999	53
75- 99	4,500-5,999	65
50- 74	3,000-4,499	109
30- 49	1,800-2,999	1,736
40- 49	2,400-2,999	228
30- 39	1,800-2,399	1,508
Under 30	Under 1,800	5,854
Unknown		166

Median family expenditure	\$1,498
Average family expenditure	\$1,634

RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES	1,141
—one-family houses	221
—two-family houses	64
—three-or-more-family houses	856

The Harlem River swings along the north and east boundaries of Harlem Bridge. The district contains considerable manufacturing, warehousing, and shipping facilities. Complementing these activities are a number of garages and repair shops. The relatively small resident population is composed mostly of Italians, Negroes and miscellaneous foreign elements. The average income is low and the housing consists mainly of old apart-

ments and tenements. Retail outlets of a general nature are located on 125th Street between Park and Third Avenues, and a concentration of furniture stores appears on Third Avenue south of 125th Street. Small grocery stores operate along Second Avenue south of 125th Street. The Manhattan end of the Triboro Bridge connecting Manhattan, Bronx, and Queens is in this district.